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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

the application.
Listing of Claims:
1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Currently Amended) A ventilation unit as claimed in Claim 3 $\underline{8}$
characterized in that said number of through windows formed in said annula
wall are equally spaced.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Cancelled)

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8. (New) A ventilation unit of the type comprising:

an electric motor having an output shaft fitted with a fan having a cup-

shaped central body and a number of blades;

said central body being defined by a base wall and by an annular wall

extending from the base wall;

said base wall having a central portion which is thicker than the rest of

the base wall;

said annular wall having an inner face and an outer face, the number

of blades extending from the outer face; and

a number of reinforcing ribs formed between the central portion of the

base wall and the inner face of the annular wall;

wherein a number of through windows are formed in the annular wall,

close to the peripheral edges of the base wall and the annular wall, each

placed in the gap between two adjacent blades and between two adjacent

reinforcing ribs to channel out any condensate formed inside said central

body.

9. (New) A ventilation unit as claimed in Claim 8, characterized in that said

number of blades are equally spaced.

10. (New) A ventilation unit as claimed in Claim 8, characterized in that said

number of reinforcing ribs are equally spaced.

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